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GOV. EASLEY REAPPOINTS WESTALL TO MINING COMMISSION

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has reappointed **Forrest R. Westall Sr.** of Burnsville to the North Mining Commission.

Westall is a principal with McGill Associates in Asheville. He is a member of the Environmental Management Commission and is a registered professional engineer in North Carolina and Tennessee. Westall received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine in 2004. He received a Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree in civil engineering from N.C. State University.

The Mining Commission adopts administrative rules and oversees the Mining Act of 1971. Members make final agency decisions on contested actions by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. The commission also conducts educational programs. The commission has ten members, each serving a six-year term. The governor appoints nine members.

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